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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph 31 on page 9, lines 3-5 with the following amended paragraph.

The server 150 <u>includes</u> is provided a novel extranet module 160. The extranet module 160 comprises a registration/configuration agent 161, search agents 162-164, retrieval agents 166-168, and an extranet Application Programming Interface (API) 169.

Please replace paragraph 35 on page 10, lines 1-3 with the following amended paragraph.

In addition, a novel mediator server 110 is connected to the network 140 by well known means. The mediator server 110 comprises a novel extranet monitor 120 and a "T Space module" 130.

Please replace paragraph 45 on page 12, lines 5-9 with the following amended paragraph.

There is an extranet site tuplespace 230 for each participating extranet site [[sites]]. This is a placeholder for the tuples that are routed to each site. The tuples can be one of the following type: search request, search result, document request or document result. Each tuple will contain the user id of the requester, a requester site id, and the contents in XML.

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Please replace paragraph 48 on page 12, lines 15 - 17 with the following amended paragraph.

The monitor process 120 will detect the incoming tuple and launch the search agent 163 on the destination site(s) (302). The agent is launched by <u>opening</u> [[open]] a URL connection. For further detail of the search agent 163, see FIG. 7 below.